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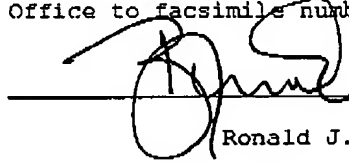
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Appl. No. : 10/825,422 Confirmation No. 9937  
Applicant : Shinji OSAWA et al.  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and  
Interferences from the decision dated April 24, 2006, of the  
Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-4 and 6.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. XX A petition for an additional two-month extension of time  
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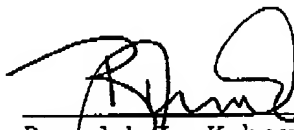
2. XX A timely response to the final rejection has been filed,  
as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.

3. XX Fee \$ 500.00 or \_\_\_ Small Entity \$250.00

XX Enclosed (as part of PTO-2038 for \$1,400.00)

\_\_\_ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely  
filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of  
time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit  
Account No. 111833, along with any other additional fees which  
may be required with respect to this paper.

  
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